

**REMARKS**

Claims 1, 3-5, 7-11, 13 and 19-20 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 6, 14-18 and 21 are canceled.

Entry of the amendments is proper under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 since the amendments: (a) place the application in condition for allowance (for the reasons discussed herein); (b) do not raise any new issue requiring further search and/or consideration (as the amendments only cancel claims); (c) do not present any additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims; and (d) place the application in better form for appeal, should an appeal be necessary. Entry of the amendments is thus respectfully requested.

**Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)**

The Examiner is requested to consider the information submitted in the August 28, 2006 Information Disclosure Statement.

**Drawings**

The Office Action objects to the drawings under 37 C.F.R. §1.83(a). Specifically, the Office Action objects to the drawings for not showing the capacitors recited in claim 6. By this Amendment, claim 6 is canceled. Thus, Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the objection.

**Specification**

The Office Action objects to the specification under 37 C.F.R. §1.75(d)(1) and MPEP §608.01(o).

This objection is directed to the capacitors as claimed in claim 6. By this Amendment, claim 6 is canceled. Thus, Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the objection.

**Claim Rejections**

The Office Action rejects claims 6 and 21 under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph and rejects claims 6 and 21 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. By this Amendment, claims 6 and 21 are canceled. Thus, Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the rejections.

The Office Action rejects claim 6 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) over U.S. Patent No. 6,100,865 to Sasaki. While the header of the rejection lists claims 1, 3-7, 9, 13 and 19, only claim 6 is addressed in the body of the rejection. Thus, Applicant understands the rejection is directed only to claim 6. By this Amendment, claim 6 is canceled. Thus, Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the rejection.

**Allowed Claims**

Applicant appreciates the Office Action's indication that claims 1, 3-5, 7-11, 13 and 19-20 are allowed. By this Amendment, rejected claims 6 and 21 are canceled and withdrawn claims 14-18 are canceled. Thus, Applicant respectfully requests allowance of the pending claims.

**Conclusion**

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1, 3-5, 7-11, 13 and 19-20 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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